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Docket No. GC566-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

Jones et al.)

Serial No.: 09/436,513)

Filed: November 9, 1999)

For: Chemically Modified Mutant Serine)
Hydrolases Show Improved Catalytic)
Activity And Chiral Selectivity)

Group Art Unit: 1652

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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the remarks herein. This response is considered timely. A petition for a three-month extension of time (and Notice of Appeal) accompanies this communication.

None of the claims have been amended. Nevertheless, each of the pending claims, 1-11, 13, 51-57, 59 and 61-62, are in condition for allowance, and reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested based upon the remarks presented herein.

Applicants enclose herewith Figures 7A, 7B and 8 in response to the Examiner's request for resubmission of the figures.